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HAWAII.

Examination of Rats and Mongoose.

Rats and mongoose have been examined in Hawaii as follows: Honolulu, week ended June 20, 1914, 339; Hilo, two weeks ended June 20, 1914, 3,952. No plague-infected animal was found.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

Plague—Manila.

Surg. Heiser, chief quarantine officer and director of health for the Philippine Islands, reports as follows: During the week ended May 30, 1914, 2 cases of plague with 2 deaths were notified in Manila.

Inspection of Vessels from Amoy.

On account of the increase of plague in Amoy and vicinity and the occurrence of plague on vessels from China the American consul at Amoy was requested by cable to send all vessels for the Philippines via the Mariveles quarantine station. The following circular letter was issued, advising the shipping interests of the order:

[Circular.]

To the masters, owners, and agents of vessels and others concerned:

SIRS: In order to prevent the introduction of plague from Amoy all vessels from that port that desire to enter the Philippines will be required to observe the following regulations:

1. Vessels that enter the port of Manila will be required to call at the Mariveles quarantine station for inspection. After being released at Mariveles they will be required to undergo another inspection at Manila before pratique is granted.

2. Vessels that desire to enter any other port in the Philippines will first call at Mariveles and undergo detention for a period sufficient to make seven days from the time they left Amoy.

Respectfully,

VICTOR G. HEISER,
Surgeon, Chief Quarantine Officer for the Philippine Islands.

PORTO RICO.

Examination of Rodents and Mongoose.

During the week ended June 26, 1914, 503 rats, 198 mice, and 2 mongoose were examined in Porto Rico. No plague-infected animal was found.